

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Claims 1-5 (Canceled)

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A polycarbonate resin composition, comprising:

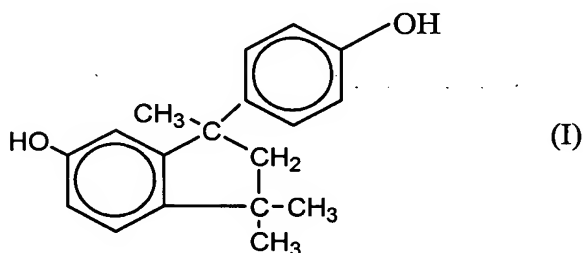
a polycarbonate resin; and

from 100 to 500 ppm of a releasing agent;

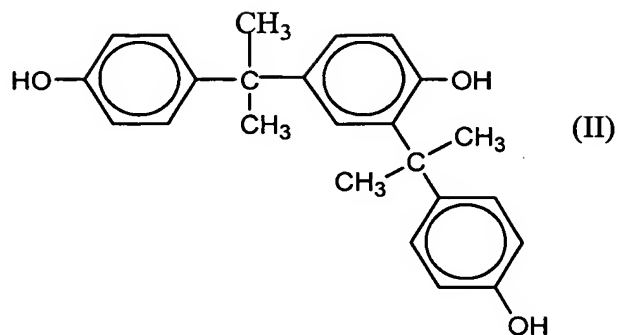
wherein said polycarbonate resin is obtained from 2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane having

a content of 2-(2-hydroxyphenyl)-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane of 1,000 ppm or less,

a content of a cyclic dimer of p-isopropenylphenol represented by the following general formula (I) of 150 ppm or less:



and a content of a trisphenol compound represented by the following general formula (II) of 150 ppm or less:



said polycarbonate resin composition having a viscosity average molecular weight of from 10,000 to 17,000 and a fraction of hydroxyl end groups of less than 7% by mole and a free total phenol content of 80 ppm or less.

Claim 7 (Canceled):

Claim 8 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 6, which contains from 150 to 350 ppm of a releasing agent.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 6, wherein the releasing agent is a polyhydric alcohol fatty acid ester.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): An optical disk substrate, comprising:
the polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 6.

Claims 11-20 (Canceled)

Claim 21 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 9, wherein the polyhydric alcohol fatty acid ester is a fatty acid monoester of glycerin.

Claim 22 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 7, which contains from 150 to 350 ppm of a releasing agent.

Claim 23 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 7, wherein the releasing agent is a polyhydric alcohol fatty acid ester.

Claim 24 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 23, wherein the polyhydric alcohol fatty acid ester is a fatty acid monoester of glycerin.

Claim 25 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 6, wherein said 2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane is obtained by solid-liquid separation of a phenol slurry of an adduct of 2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane and phenol, thereby separating phenol and said adduct; melting said separated adduct and distilling off phenol to obtain said 2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane used to produce the polycarbonate resin.

Claim 26 (Previously Presented): The polycarbonate resin composition as described in claim 6, further comprising:
20 to 100 ppm of a phosphorous antioxidant.

Claim 27 (Previously Presented): The optical disk substrate as described in claim 10, wherein the releasing agent is a polyhydric alcohol fatty acid ester.

Claim 28 (Previously Presented): The optical disk substrate as described in claim 27, wherein the polyhydric alcohol fatty acid ester is a fatty acid monoester of glycerin.

Claim 29 (Previously Presented): The optical disk substrate as described in claim 10, wherein said polycarbonate resin composition further comprises
20 to 100 ppm of a phosphorous antioxidant.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented): The optical disk substrate as described in claim 10, which comprises from 150 to 350 ppm of a releasing agent.

Claim 31 (Previously Presented): The optical disk substrate as described in claim 10, wherein said 2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane is obtained by
solid-liquid separation of a phenol slurry of an adduct of
2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane and phenol, thereby separating phenol and said adduct;
melting said separated adduct and distilling off phenol to obtain said
2,2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)propane used to produce the polycarbonate resin.

Claim 32 (New): The optical disk substrate as described in claim 10, which has defects due to flash of lower than 4.5 % and a block error rate of lower than 5.

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BASIS FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claim 7 has been canceled. The limitations of Claim 7 have been included in Claim 6. New Claim 32 has been added as supported by the specification as originally filed, for example at page 30, lines 1-6.

No new matter is believed to have been added by entry of this amendment. Entry and favorable reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Upon entry of this amendment Claims 6, 8-10 and 21-32 will now be active in this application.